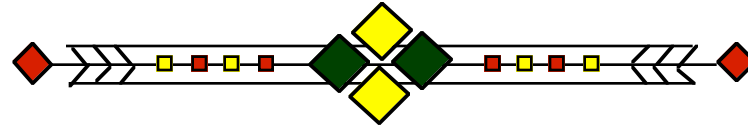


Carpenter-Ridgeway Neighborhood Association



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2007-2008 Priorities

Carpenter-Ridgeway Neighborhood

The purpose of the Carpenter-Ridgeway Neighborhood Association is to maintain and improve the neighborhood through democratic participation and involvement. The Association will work for the achievement of its purpose by creating and supporting a spirit of neighborhood among area residents through all appropriate means including the following:

- Anticipate and call attention to emerging neighborhood trends and problems prior to their reaching crisis proportions.
- Develop and encourage interest and participation in neighborhood issues and concerns. Provide study and discussion of questions relevant to the neighborhood.
- Provide information to all residents about issues pertinent to the neighborhood. Educate residents regarding the potential for neighborhood development, problems, and processes involved.
- Work cooperatively with the City of Madison, local organizations, developers, agencies, and elected officials to improve and further the neighborhood's best interests.

1. The Process - In subsequent meetings following the election of 2007-2008 neighborhood association officers and board members, individual board members were asked to answer the following 2 questions:

1. *Write down what you think the 3 top priorities should be for the 2007-2008 CRNA Board; and*

2. *What might be an interesting and/or creative event the neighborhood should consider doing in 2008?*

2. Results

After all responses were received, they were discussed and consensus was reached. They were then categorized into the following groupings:

A. Neighborhood Promotion/Involvement – Continue to promote to local businesses, interest groups, and most importantly, residents of the neighborhood.

Residents

Activities:

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| * Encourage residents to join the neighborhood association and become involved in neighborhood activities and events. | Ongoing |
| * Distribute informational flyers about upcoming events and issues within the neighborhood. | Ongoing |
| * Thank residents for their participation by such things as recognition awards and thank you notes or postcards when membership forms are returned. | Ongoing |
| * Distribute welcome packets to new residents as they move into the neighborhood. | Ongoing |
| * Advertise and promote neighborhood general meetings/dinners. | Ongoing |
| * Work with Hawthorne School, East Madison Community Center, and local youth organizations on various neighborhood projects and events. | Ongoing |

Businesses -

Activities:

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| * Seek out opportunities to involve and partner with local neighborhood businesses to participate in neighborhood activities and projects. | Ongoing |
| * Include local business advertising in quarterly newsletter and neighborhood directory. | Ongoing |
| * Work with MG&E to reduce energy costs for neighborhood households through energy grants. | Ongoing |

B. Preserving the Environmental – Focus on environmental issues that effect the quality of life for residents:

Gypsy Moth

Activities:

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| * Educate residents about the infestation of Gypsy Moths. | 03/08 |
| * Provide educational information such as brochures and articles in newsletter. | 03/08, 06/08 |

- * Involve the City of Madison Forestry Department when nests are found (needed for future spraying). Fall 08
- * Obtain brochures from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). 01/08

Mosquitoes

Activities:

Timeline

- * Write newsletter articles about how to reduce potential problems.
- * Allow neighborhood enhancement grants to be used for mosquito reduction devices.

Noise Abatement

Activities:

Timeline

- * Work with neighborhood police districts to reduce the loud noise from cars and cruising activities. Ongoing
- * Work with elected official on noise from airplanes at Dane County Airport. Ongoing

Starkweather Creek

Activities:

Timeline

- * Continue to work with Friends of Starkweather Creek (Scott Taylor) on clearing the bank and creek of fallen trees to allow more light and promote plant growth. Winter/Spring 08

Garlic Mustard in Woods

Activities:

Timeline

- * Contact Madison Weeks Warriors about helping pull Garlic Mustard in woods. Summer 08
- * Encourage neighborhood residents to pull garlic mustard when walking in the woods. Summer 08

C. Improvement Projects - Continue to look for creative projects that improve the quality of life for residents within the neighborhood.

Sid Boyum Sculpture

Activities:

Timeline

- * Pursue the acquisition of a Sid Boyum Sculpture to be placed in Carpenter-Ridgeway Park 02-06/2008
- * Work with Lou Host Jablonski on the purchase of a sculpture. Winter 08
- * Obtain permission from Parks Department to place sculpture in park area. Winter 08
- * Write CEP Grant in spring 2008 for purchase of sculpture. Winter 08
- * Work with parks to create landscape design for placement of sculpture. Summer 08

Maintain/Add Green Space/Perennial Beds

Activities:

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| * Look for eligible neighborhood space to create new green space areas and/or new perennial beds. | <u>Timeline</u>
Spring 08 |
| * Work with City of Madison Parks/CEP staff/property owners to design and installed new beds. | Summer 08 |

WalkAbout Project

Activities:

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| * Complete Phase II of WalkAbout Project, including Visual Preference Survey & Model Block Workshop. | <u>Timeline</u>
March 08 |
| * Create guidebook that describes the process, activities, goals, outcomes, and lessons learned. | May 08 |

D. Neighborhood Safety and Traffic Issues

Neighborhood Watch

Activities:

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| * Continue to educate residents on keeping their eyes open for suspicious activity in the neighborhood and to report any such activity to the police. | <u>Timeline</u>
Ongoing |
| * Establish relationships with district police captains and neighborhood patrol officers. | Ongoing |
| * Encourage district captains and patrol officers to attend general neighborhood meetings, and give presentations on neighborhood safety. | Ongoing |
| * Continue to be proactive, not reactive to neighborhood issues and concerns. | Ongoing |
| * Continue to monitor monthly police service calls to neighborhood, and work with district police and/or property owners to address any problems. | Monthly |
| * Work with rental property owners and the Apartment Association of South Central Wisconsin to educate neighborhood landlords and offering continuing education about how to improve screening, resident selection, property upkeep, etc. | Ongoing |

Speeding and Traffic Issues

Activities:

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| * Continue to educate neighborhood residents through the quarterly newsletter about slowing down while driving through the neighborhood. | <u>Timeline</u>
Ongoing |
| * Create and post "slow down" signs in neighborhood trouble spots. | Spring/Summer 08 |
| * Obtain the portable electronic speed board for streets experiencing problems with speeding. | Spring/Summer 08 |